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REMARKS

The above amendments are made to insert a cross reference to the PCT application upon which the instant U.S. national phase is based, to add an Abstract of the Disclosure and to eliminate multiple dependencies in the claims.

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A user terminal (15) accesses data from an internet application (14) over a distributed information network such as the Internet (17), by making a plurality of access requests for a plurality of duplicate series of packet data (1,2,3, ..; 1',2',3', .; 1", 2", 3",) from the same internet application (14), each series comprising one instance of each packet of an ordered set of packets (1,2,3,4,5,6). The first instance to be received of each packet in the series (1,2,3,4",5",6') is accepted, and the accepted packets are assembled into a complete series (16). This ensures that delays on any one link (21, 22, 23) do not delay the receipt of the message.